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REMARKS

This is an amendment after FINAL. There are several issues in the response.

I.

Claims 10-24 are presented. Claims 10, 20 and 21 are independent, and the remaining claims dependant.

The Examiner's thoughtful and helpful comments and suggestions on claims 10 and 13-18 are indeed appreciated and are here adopted. The changes are to improve wording, grammar, and to address the §112 rejections. They present no new issues and thus should be entered after Final. Claims 11, 12, and 19 remain unchanged.

New independent claims 20 and 21 are derived from claims 10 and some dependant claims and each present aspects of the invention in a more usual U.S. claim format. They are discussed below and do not present new issues and thus should be entered after Final.

New dependant claims 22-24 are supported by the specification at page 9, line 15, and page 7, lines 7-24. Claims 22 and 23 were prompted by the Examiner's questions on claims 14 and 18, and are discussed below.

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II.

Claims 10-19 stand rejected on §103 on a combination of three references, one newly cited, and the others previously of record but not applied. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

The references are of a different structure from applicants device. The references may contain some individual elements, or components, that are in applicants' device. Importantly, the applied references do not show, and do not suggest, putting these elements, or components, -- as well as additional components -- together with the same interconnections, and resulting functionality, as taught in this application.

Independent claim 10 stands rejected on Miyamoto, Ref AL, in view of Tuttle, New Ref A. The rejection is respectfully traversed. There are many reasons for this claim's and its dependant claims allowance.

Point One: Applicants' card is "power-sourceless", i.e. no battery on the card (40). In the Office letter, Miyamoto is cited for having a power-sourceless card. This is not correct. Miyamoto has a battery, legend 1, in Fig. 1. In Fig. 2, there is the same battery 1, referred to in the specification as "primary battery 1" see page 15. second full paragraph, last two lines. Miyamoto's description beginning on page 15 and continuing on to the next page is of a battery. Applicants' claim 10 is to a card without a battery.

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Point Two: The Office letter acknowledges that:

. . . Miyamoto did not explicitly disclose connection means for connecting to an external power source carried by support means.

Office letter page 5, paragraph 5, and, cites Tuttle for this teaching. But Tuttle does not have this feature. Tuttle in his preferred embodiments has internal batteries (e.g. 2 and 3 in the figures). In only one embodiment, Fig. 9, cited in the Office letter, there is no internal battery. But there is no teaching of the "connecting means", to an external battery, for which Tuttle is cited. In other words, in Tuttle there is no showing of, no suggestion of, Applicants' connecting means for connection to an external battery. In short the very elements that are missing or omitted in Miyamoto are also missing, omitted, lacking, not shown, and not in Tuttle.

Point Three: Tuttle's Fig. 9 embodiment has two antennas, while applicants' has a single antenna, see Tuttle, col. 11, lines 9-11. This feature is in some of applicants' dependant claims.

Point Four: Neither of the references has applicants' connection means.

Point Five: The two references do not have the structure, the parts, nor the arrangement or interconnections of those parts which are in applicants independent claim 10. Thus, allowance of claim 10 and its dependant claims 11-19 is courteously solicited.

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III

New independent claim 20 is derived from claims 10-14 and presents a somewhat narrower claims in a more usual U.S. claim format. [Claims 10-19, are derived from the corresponding European patent application which applicants' attorney understands has been allowed.]

New independent claim 21 is directed to the card. It has a structure that is new, and not in the prior art, and not suggested in the prior art.

New dependant claims 22-24, are prompted by the Examiner's questions about "bankcard" and "bank type" card of claims 14 and 18. These cards may take different forms, but the usual card has the ISO standard and is referred to as smart card or chip card. They are the size of the usual U.S. credit card or bank debit card. The external contacts may be in same the location as the power contacts on the smart card.

IV.

It is respectfully submitted that for the above reasons the independent claims and their dependant claims are allowable over the art of record, and in the absence of more pertinent art, and with the formal amendments made herein, the application should be in a condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is courtesy solicited.

If there are any remaining issues, formal or substantive, baring allowance, then applicants' attorney respectfully requests

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and interview to focus on such items and to effectively resolve
them.

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connected to the output terminals (A, B) of the rectifying and filtering means (26).

Claim 22 (New)

22. A device according to claim 14 wherein the bankcard has the physical dimensions of ISO 7816 and the first and second terminals have the physical dimension of and locations of ISO 7816.

Claim 23 (New)

23. A device according to claim 18 wherein the card of the bank type has the physical dimensions of ISO 7816 and the first and second terminals have the physical dimension of and locations of ISO 7816.

Claim 24 (New)

24. A device according to claim 21 wherein the card and the external terminals have physical dimensions and locations as defined in ISO 7816.